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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

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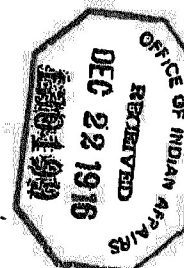
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Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am inclosing herewith an application for contract with the Tejon district in Kern County, California, for twenty children. I am disposed to recommend a contract in this case with a view to giving it a trial. This particular band of Indians has been the subject of very extensive correspondence. The Office will recall that they have been threatened, so it is alleged, with ejection from their present home on the Tejon ranch, which is owned by a syndicate of Los Angeles capitalists. This band of Indians was a subject of investigation by me about August 1914 and I believe that Mr. Terrell has made some reports each May since and in fact, I think I have written a few letters since that time myself. About two years ago the county superintendent succeeded in getting a small district school opened in this Indian settlement in a building that probably belonged to the Catholic church, but since that time no school has been maintained and the present proposal is that these children should

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be carried some six miles up the canyon to a white district, but a district where school has not been regularly maintained for the past few years, owing to the lack of children. I admit that I am in doubt about this working out successfully, but owing to the great amount of agitation, there has been in this connection and knowing something of the interest of the McKenzies, whom I have met, I believe we are justified in entering into this contract. The Office will note from Mrs. McKenzie's letter, which I inclose herewith, that their plan is to hold school through the summer and not through the winter. This would probably necessitate our making a new contract the first of July, but this may be a chance to start something in the way of school for those children and I believe we should try it.

Very respectfully,

*E. H. Asbury*  
Special Agent.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith contract between this Office and the directors of Tejon District Public School, Kern County, California, for the education, etc., of 20 Indian pupils at the rate of 30¢ per capita per day, amounting to \$360 per quarter during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

I recommend approval of the enclosed contract.

Respectfully,

*(Signed) C. F. Hauke*

Acting Assistant Commissioner.

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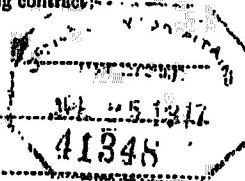
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## PUBLIC SCHOOL CONTRACT

We, C. F. Louie, Acting AssistantCommissioner of Indian Affairs, in behalf of the United States of America, and D. E. McKeenMinnie McKeenDirectors of School District Rajan, County of RenoState of California

have this day entered into the following contract:

- The said directors agree:
1. To admit to the public school in the district named during the fiscal year ending June 30, 191

Twenty (20)

Indian children between the ages of five and eighteen years, whose parents are members of

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tribe of Indians under the

Special Indian Agent

jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of the Interior

Reno, Nevada

2. To give such Indian pupils the same instruction, in the same classes and with the same privileges, as white children.
3. To report concerning the attendance and progress of Indian pupils upon forms to be furnished by the Indian Office.
4. To enroll under this contract only pupils of one-quarter Indian blood or more; provided that no payment shall be made hereunder for any pupils if they or their parents are citizens of the State and owners of taxable real property within the school district.
5. To permit inspection of the school property, examination of records of attendance, etc., by proper officers of the United States.
6. Not to transfer either this contract or any interest therein as prohibited by section 3737, Revised Statutes of the United States.

In consideration of the faithful performance of the aforesaid undertakings, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, on behalf of the United States, agrees:

1. To pay to said directors at the rate of Twenty-five cents

per day as compensation for each pupil taught under this contract, payment for each quarter to be computed upon the actual attendance of pupils in each quarter, but there shall not be paid to the said

directors, as compensation for any quarter, a sum aggregating more than Three Hundred Fifty Dollars(Three hundred)

1. To make settlements under this contract through the proper accounting officers to the said directors covering the quarter ending September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30, upon vouchers in duplicate duly certified to under oath by the

Clerk of School Board or corresponding officer, and forwarded to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs by the U.S.Special Indian Agent, Reno, NevadaFILED BY W. L. R.

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who shall certify that in all respects the terms of this contract have been complied with according to their true intent and meaning. The term quarter in this contract means sixty days of school including legal holidays and excluding Saturday and Sunday of each week.

It is mutually agreed that:

1. No Member or Delegate to Congress shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or any benefit arising therefrom.

2. No Alteration or modification of this contract shall entitle the directors of the school district to a greater compensation than that hereinbefore provided for.

3. The Commissioner of Indian Affairs may abrogate this contract by written notice of fifteen days, served personally upon the directors of the district, or left at the schoolhouse of the public school above named, by a duly authorized officer of the United States of America; and

4. This agreement is made subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals.

day of March, 1917. <sup>the 7<sup>th</sup></sup>  
~~of the Indian School and under oath were sworn and Special Indian Agents were present in this contract before signing and sealing.~~  
 WITNESSES: ~~since the words "September 30, December 31 and March 31" were~~  
~~erased.~~ E. A. Otter C. F. Hauke  
A. M. Smeek Acting Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs.  
 For party of the first part.

U. M. Smeek  
D. E. McFarley  
M. M. McFarley  
 For parties of the second part.

STATE OF California

COUNTY OF San

Before me, a notary public in and for said county and State, duly commissioned and acting (commission expires April 26, 1920) personally appeared D. E. McFarley and U. M. Smeek  
as above

whose genuine signatures are appended to the foregoing contract, and well known to me as Directors of School District No. 10 in the county and State aforesaid, and each acknowledged the due execution of the same by them for the purposes therein expressed and contained.

WITNESS MY HAND AND NOTARIAL SEAL this Seventh day of March, 1917

[L. S.]

Zama Lewis  
 Notary Public.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

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The foregoing contract is hereby approved.

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(Signed) Alexander F. Vogelberg  
First Assistant Secretary.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN FIELD SERVICE

SACRAMENTO INDIAN AGENCY  
SACRAMENTO-CALIFORNIAApplications  
For Public School  
Tuition 1924-25

October 24, 1924.

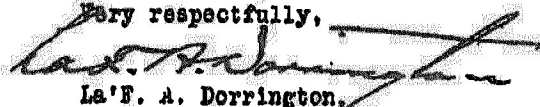
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Commissioner:

There is transmitted herewith, in duplicate, twelve Applications for Public School Tuition for the school year beginning July 1, 1924, and ending June 30, 1925. It is respectfully requested that the Office approve these applications at the rate of tuition recommended thereon as in most cases rate is the same as paid for the past school year. Applications submitted are as follows:

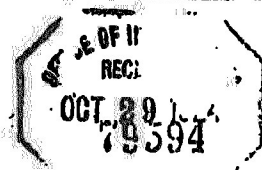
SCHOOL	COUNTY	PUPILS	RATE	POST OFFICE
Aetna	Amador	2	.35	Jackson, California.
Pigeon Creek	Amador	5	<del>30.50</del>	Aukum, California.
Big Bar	Butte	17	.45	Pulga, California.
Mountain Springs	Butte	12	<del>110.40</del>	Enterprise, Calif.
Wyandotte	Butte	5	<del>33.40</del>	Orville, Calif. RR-B.
Sheepbranch	Calaveras	5	.35	Sheepbranch, Calif.
Buckeye	El Dorado	2	<del>30.45</del>	Shingle, Calif.
Lerona	Fresno	12	.35	Auberry, Calif.
Millerton	Fresno	16	.40	Grabner, Ex 15, Calif.
Tejon Indian	Kern	20	.50	Bx. 368, Bakersfield, Calif.
Milford	Lassen	3	<del>30.40</del>	Milford, California.
Pacific	Shasta	5	.35	Fall River Mills, Calif.

Very respectfully,

  
 La'F. A. Dorrington,  
Superintendent.
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## APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CONTRACTS.

Date August 21, 1924

COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

I respectfully request that you enter into a contract with the authorities of Public School District No. Indian in County of Kern, State of California, to pay tuition for the education therein, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, for Indian pupils, and the following facts are submitted for your consideration:

Name in full and title of the proper officers in charge of school with whom contract should be made; Juan Rafael Lopez de Clerk

Pedro Michasael, Trustee, Felipe Lopez, Trustee

Are such officers authorized under State law to enter into contracts of this character? Yes

Size and character of school buildings to be used: Portable wooden building 15' x 25' + 18' x 25'

Exact location: In Tejon Indian Canyon, about forty-eight miles south east of Bakersfield

Is the public school on the Indian reservation? If not, give distance and direction from the Reservation: About one hundred ten (100) miles south east of Tejon Indian Reservation. Between

Number of pupils enrolled last year: 18 Ind.; 5 White.

Estimated enrollment for this year: 20 Ind.; 5 White.

Average attendance of pupils during the previous year: 14 Indian; 2 White, 17 Total.

Total cost of maintaining school for the last year, exclusive of permanent improvements: \$242.25 (Two hundred and forty two and 25/100)

Cost per pupil per day last year based on average attendance:                     

Ages of Indian pupils enrolled: 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 male; 5, 10, 11, 12 female.

Number of months school was in session: 1 year; grades taught, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Name specifically tribe or tribes from which pupils are to be obtained under contract: Thompson Indian Tribe

Degree of Indian blood: Over to Indian

Are parents or Indian pupils taxpayers on real estate? No

Number of teachers One; Names of teachers: Mrs. Anna B. Knowles

Salaries paid teachers: \$120.00 per month

Name and address of County Superintendent of Public Instruction: Mr. Lawrence E. Chumwalt, Co. Supt., Bakersfield, Calif.

The above statements are correct.

J. R. Izard  
Official designation Clerk

Box 368 Bakersfield Calif

I hereby certify that I have carefully investigated the within application and believe the statements are true and recommend that a contract be granted for the tuition of 20 Indian pupils. I recommend a rate of .50¢ per day per pupil. I certify that Mrs. Anna B. Knowles, teacher, is holder of Calif. Life Diploma, based on Normal School diploma. Tuition recommended is same as paid for past school year.

Lawrence E. Chumwalt  
Superintendent

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SPECIAL NOTE

All questions on the within blank must be properly filled out and the same forwarded to the nearest Indian School Superintendent for his indorsement and returned to the Indian Office, when the matter of granting a contract will be considered.

Salary, fuel, supplies, etc., but not cost of permanent improvements, should be used in computing cost per pupil.

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APPLICATION FOR INDIAN SCHOOL CONTRACTS

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## APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CONTRACTS.

Date August 21, 1924  
 THE COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
 Sir: I respectfully request that you enter into a contract with the authori-

ties of Public School District No. Indian in County of Tulare  
 State of California, to pay tuition for the education of Indian pupils during  
 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, for 22 Indian pupils, and the  
 following facts are submitted for your consideration:

Name in full and title of the proper officers in charge of school with whom  
 contract should be made: Juan M. Rafael Lopez, as President  
Pedro Villaseca, as Treasurer

Are such officers authorized under State law to enter into contracts of this  
 character? Yes

Size and character of school buildings to be used: Portable  
wooden building 15' x 25' and 18' x 25'

Exact location: near the Indian Reservation, near a house  
forty-eight (48) miles southeast of Reedfield, Calif.

Is the public school on the Indian reservation? If not, give distance and  
 direction from the Reservation. No about 11 miles southeast of  
Tule Indian Reservation, Reedfield, Calif.

Number of pupils enrolled last year: 12 Ind.; 5 White;  
 Estimated enrollment for this year: 22 Ind.; 5 White;  
 Average attendance of pupils during the previous year: 14 Indian,  
3 White, 17 Total.

Total cost of maintaining school for the last year, exclusive of permanent  
 improvements: from the school fund, twenty-one and 25/100 (\$21.25)



Cost per pupil per day last year based on average attendance: \$7.77 77¢

Ages of Indian pupils enrolled: 6, 7, 9, 10, 14, 16 male, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13 female.

Number of months school was in session: 10; grades taught, 1, 2, 4, 5

Name specifically tribe or tribes from which pupils are to be obtained under contract: Togwotee Indian Tribes

Degree of Indian blood: One-half (1/2) Indian

Are parents or Indian pupils taxpayers on real estate? No

Number of teachers One; Names of teachers: Mrs. Anna B. Knowles

Salaries paid teachers: \$180.00 per month

Name and address of County Superintendent of Public Instruction: Mr. Lawrence E. Chennoweth, Co. Supt., Redding, Calif.

The above statements are correct.

J. K. Lyman  
Official designation Chief

P. O. Box 368, Bakerfield, Calif.

I hereby certify that I have carefully investigated the within application

and believe the statements are true and recommend that a contract be granted for

the tuition of 20 Indian pupils. I recommend a rate of \$8.00 per

day per pupil. I certify that Mrs. Anna B. Knowles, teacher, is holder of Calif. Life Diploma, based on Normal School diploma. Tuition recommended is same as paid for past school year.

(Signed) Le. F. A. Borington

Superintendent.

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APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CONTRACTS



Mr. A. L. Berrington  
Supt. Agency  
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Mr. A. L. Berrington,  
Supt., Sacramento Agency.

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My dear Mr. Berrington:

You are hereby authorized to expend not to exceed \$7,845 for the tuition of 184 Indian children in the following public school districts for the fiscal year 1925, at the following rates per pupil for each day of actual attendance:

District	Gender	No. Pupils	Rate	Amount
Acton	Amador	3	36¢	108.00
Eigen Green	Amador	3	36¢	108.00
Big Bar	Butte	37	48¢	1,776.00
Mountain Springs	Butte	18	48¢	864.00
Spokane	Butte	8	36¢	288.00
Shogren	Colusa	3	36¢	108.00
Shogren	El Dorado	2	36¢	72.00
Yuba	Fresno	18	36¢	648.00
Millerton	Fresno	18	36¢	648.00
De Jon Indian	Kern	20	36¢	720.00
Milford	Lassen	3	36¢	108.00
Pacific	Shasta	3	36¢	108.00

Payment shall not be made under this authority for any pupil having less than one-fourth Indian blood, or if such pupil or his parents are, or either of them, owners of taxable real property within the public school district.

Payment will be made from the fund "Indian School Support (Public Schools), 1925" now being allotted.

Please notify the representatives of the public school districts of the terms of this authority.

Copies to:  
Sacramento Agency;  
Finance Accounts.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt  
Assistant Commissioner.

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## REQUEST FOR ALLOTMENT

*Sacramento Agency 11/8/24*  
 (Place and Date)

THE COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Washington, D. C.

Sir,

Please allot \$

*5507.50 from Indian School Support*  
*(Public School 12, I.S. 12)*  
 (Appropriation)

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 (Symbol)

for use at

*Sacramento Agency*  
 (School or Agency)

during the

fiscal year 10.26

Total unliquidated encumbrances .....

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Balance in allotment .....

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I have the following unencumbered balances in allotments of other appropriations and funds which may be applicable for the purpose for which an allotment is now requested.

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Superintendent,

A full justification must be furnished herewith

*The P.B. Johnson, Trust for Indian Schools in*  
*California, British Columbia, Alberta, and*  
*Illinois, Kansas, Texas & State Counties, Cal.*  
*94.84.26*  
 ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

(Date)

CHIEF, FINANCE DIVISION,

Approved for allotment of \$ *5507.50* from *Indian School Support*  
*(Public School 12, I.S. 12)*  
 provided funds are available and applicable.

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## FINANCE DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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RENO, NEVADA,

May 6, 1915.

Mr. Harry Chandler,  
Los Angeles Times,  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Our Office now agrees that so long as the situation of the Indians on the Tejon Ranch is as good as it appears to be at present, that no further steps will be taken looking to securing land for them there, or elsewhere. However, should your company desire at any time to sell to the Government a tract of land, where these Indians live, in order that they might have a title to their homes, we would be glad to hear from you to that effect, in order that the Government may consider steps to be taken to make the purchase, if funds are available and an agreement can be reached.

Last year, when I was on the Ranch, a district school had been maintained there for some months, and from inquiry made this year, in reference to that school, as to what is being done for these children, I learned that a school is being maintained in another part of the district, which is too far from the Indian camp for the Indian children to attend. They are thus deprived of the school privilege. I am of the opinion that our Office would enter into some sort of agreement with the County, whereby we would bear a part of the expense of

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maintaining the school there, if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the owners of the ranch. We understand, that we could not go there and build a building and maintain a school of our own, unless it was entirely agreeable with you and believe, that under the law, the Government could not build a building on land to which they did not have a title. If some arrangements could be made, whereby the County would maintain the district, provide the building, I feel sure that we could get the approval of a contract, whereby the Government would bear a large part of the expense of maintaining the school.

I would be glad to learn of the attitude of your company on this question, before I take it up with our Office, or with the County officials.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) C. H. Asbury

Special Indian Agent.